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President George W. Bush
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, DC 20500

Dear President Bush:

I am writing to respectfully urge you to use all the powers of your office to aid in the search for Cpl. Cesar Armando Laurean, the suspected murderer of U.S. Marine Lance Cpl. Maria Lauterbach and her unborn son.

Cpl. Cesar Armando Laurean, 21, disappeared from his Jacksonville, North Carolina home on January 11, 2008. Soon after, police discovered the charred remains of Marine Lance Cpl. Maria Lauterbach buried in his backyard. Lauterbach had previously accused Laurean of raping her, telling Marine officials she was pregnant with his child; she was eight months pregnant when she went missing in December of 2007.

Various news reports have stated that investigators believe Laurean has fled the country and is now in his native Mexico. If Laurean is in fact in Mexico, it is imperative that he be captured and swiftly returned to North Carolina to face justice. Therefore, I respectfully ask that you request that Mexico's President Felipe Calderon direct Mexican authorities to do everything in their power to quickly hunt down, capture, and extradite this suspected killer.

Thank you for your consideration in this urgent matter.

Sincerely,



Walter B. Jones
Member of Congress